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Letter dated 6 November 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Somalia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit to you a copy of the communiqué following the Somalia Reconciliation Meeting held in Nairobi from 1 to 4 November 2001.

I would appreciate it if this communiqué could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex to the letter dated 6 November 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Somalia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

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1. At the invitation of H.E. President Daniel T. arap Moi of the Republic of Kenya, the political leaders of the Republic of Somalia attended the Reconciliation Meeting on Somalia held in Nairobi from 1 to 4 November 2001. The Somali delegations comprised the Transitional National Government and the Somali Reconciliation and Restoration Council.

2. In his opening statement, President Moi emphasized the urgent need to deliberate on the future of Somalia. He lamented the anguish, suffering and loss of lives caused by the 10-year civil war and the destruction of the economy and infrastructure of Somalia. He recalled that various peace initiatives on Somalia had failed due to clan wars, mutual mistrust and lack of an acceptable broad-based Government. He observed that, under the circumstances, Somalia could become a haven for international crime and drug syndicates, religious extremists and terrorists, a situation which could invite an international response. He pointed out that a strong, united Government in Somalia would help check illicit trade and arms proliferation, influx of refugees and human trafficking. He reiterated the need to include parties that did not participate at the Arta conference in the national reconciliation process in order to deepen it. He pointed out that ultimately it was the responsibility of the people of Somalia to resolve their problems, which required a spirit of give and take as well as compromise.

3. The two parties held constructive deliberations on the way forward in the process of national reconciliation for Somalia. They acknowledged the importance of having a broad-based, all-inclusive reconciliation process that ensured the unity, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Somalia.

4. They adopted the following agenda as the basis for future deliberations:

(i) Implementation of the resolution of the 8th Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Summit of Heads of State and Government on Somalia and other relevant Organization of African Unity and United Nations Security Council resolutions on the situation in Somalia.

(ii) The two parties have agreed that all state laws be reviewed in accordance with the requirement of the reconciliation process in Somalia.

(iii) Power sharing based on all Somali clans.

(iv) National disarmament.

(v) Renunciation of violence as a means of settling political differences and cooperation with the international community in the eradication of all forms of terrorism.

(vi) Commitment to international principles of peaceful coexistence, good-neighbourly relations and respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the countries in the region.

(vii) Dispute over land, public and private property.

(viii) Any other business.

5. The parties agreed to adjourn the meeting to enable them to hold further consultations prior to a follow-up meeting to be held at a time to be mutually agreed to by the Heads of State of the front-line States — Kenya, Djibouti and Ethiopia. The role of the Sudan, current Chairman of IGAD, as well as that of other States and agencies in the Somalia Reconciliation Process, was acknowledged.

6. They expressed their gratitude and appreciation to H.E. Daniel T. arap Moi, the Government and the people of Kenya for hosting the Reconciliation Meeting and for the hospitality extended to them.

Done at Nairobi this 4th day of November 2001.

(*Signed*) Mowlid **Maán**

(*Signed*) Aden Mohamed **Ali**

(*Signed*) Bile Rafle **Guled**

(*Signed*) Abdulkadir M. **Abdulle**

(*Signed*) Osman Hassan **Ali**

(*Signed*) Ali Bashi **Hagi**